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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
Eija Pirhonen et al.

Serial No.: 10/006,800

Filed: December 4, 2001

Title: RESORBABLE POLYMER COMPOSITION
IMPLANT AND METHOD OF MAKING
IMPLANT

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-1.99, Applicants submit the reference listed on the enclosed PTO form 1449. A copy of this reference is enclosed. This Information Disclosure Statement is in compliance with the continuing duty of candor as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and is being filed before the mailing date of a first office Action on the merits. Accordingly, no fee is due.

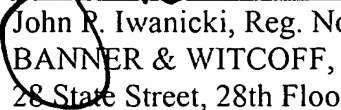
In the judgment of the undersigned, portions of the listed reference may be material to the Examiner's consideration of the presently pending claims. However, the reference has not been reviewed in sufficient detail to make any other representation and, in particular, no representation is intended as to the relative importance of any portion of the reference. This statement is not a representation that the listed reference has effective dates early enough to be "prior art" within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. § 102 or § 103.

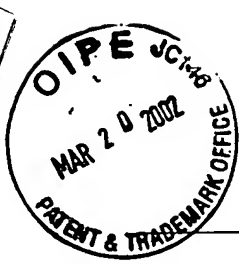
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Respectfully submitted,

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

In regard to the above identified application, we are transmitting herewith the attached:

1. Information Disclosure Statement,
2. Form PTO-1499,
3. Copy of one (1) reference, and
4. Return postcard.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

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